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**B<sup>2</sup>** --Background of the Invention--

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**B<sup>4</sup>** --Brief Description of the Drawings--

IN THE ABSTRACT:

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IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 2-11 as follows:

**B<sup>5</sup>** <sup>Pub. C<sup>1</sup></sup> 2. (Amended) The acoustic device according to claim 1, wherein said soundboard comprises an expanded polycarbonate sheet.

**B<sup>6</sup>** <sup>Pub. C<sup>1</sup></sup> 3. (Amended) The acoustic device according to claim 1, wherein said soundboard has a cellular rigid foam structure.